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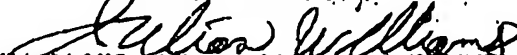
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Juergen Paul et. al.

Serial No.: 10/596,723

Filed: June 22, 2006

For: MICROSCOPE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A MICROSCOPE
SYSTEM

**REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT
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The Commissioner is respectfully requested to issue new and correct Filing Receipt and Notice of Acceptance documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 01/18/2007

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Title

Microscope system and method for operating a microscope system

Preliminary Class

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371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER

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The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

<u>06/22/2006</u>	<u>06/22/2006</u>
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/22/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 06/22/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/22/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/22/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/31/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/22/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/22/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/22/2006
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FORM PCT/DO/EO/903 (371 Acceptance Notice)

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

MICROSCOPE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A MICROSCOPE SYSTEM

the specification of which was filed on December 14, 2004 as Application No.
PCT/EP2004/053473.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment, if any, specifically referred to herein. I do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigned more than twelve months prior to this application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

FOREIGN PRIORITY CLAIM

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☒ such foreign application have been filed as follows:

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**EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
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Application Number	Country	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
103 61 150.9	DE	December 22, 2003	<u> x </u> Yes No <u> </u>
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		<u> </u> Yes No <u> </u>

CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available to me between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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- ☐ such U.S./PCT application have been filed as follows:

Application Number	Date of Filing	Status (Patented/Pending/Abandoned)

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